

My name is Harold Kozlowski. I am president of Highland Community Broadcasting. Licensee of LPFM WCNH-LP in Concord, New Hampshire. As a private citizen, and LPFM operator, I feel the need to comment on this proceeding.

WCNH-LP serves it's city of license with a classical music format 24 hours a day. In fact we are the only outlet for classical music, full or part-time, in the entire state of New Hampshire. We came on the air 3 years after the state's public broadcasting group decided to eliminate all music programming in favor news and talk.

Every day we receive letter from grateful listeners thanking us for just being on the air. Many of those same letters also express frustration that they cannot receive our station without significant interference. They cannot understand why stations like ours are not protected by the FCC. They are even more confused when the learn that some argue that a station like WCNH-LP is somehow a threat to broadcasting in America.

Credibility is stretched to the breaking point when claims are made of harmful interference from LPFM's. How can third adjacent seperations from LPFM be so vital, when grandfathered Class B FM's ignore such rules with impunity? How can tranlators follow separation rules half as stringent as those for LPFM, and operate at 2.5 times the power, not be cited by the NAB and other lobbying groups?

The answer of course is obvious: such decisions have little to do with reality, and everything to do with politics.

Much like the translator protections being touted by groups like K-Love. Why should any group be allowed to create a de facto national network via the translator service? A use not inteded by the FCC when the translator class was created. Groups such as these do not target underserved "white areas", they want to reach major population centers. And the wish to do so with no obligation to serve the local community, other than to pump whatever national programming they create.

The last translator filing window was an armageddon for community groups hoping to serve their communities with low-power broadcasting. The FCC abdicated it's regulatory mission by turning a blind eye to the abuses of the application process, allowing groups to apply for thousands of channels wholesale, many with questionable engineering and vague representations. It would be the final insult to grant the petiton of K-Love, giving it's translators a status that is undeserved, and creating irreperable harm to the hopes of local community broadcasters.

So I respectfully ask the Commission to consider these comments in this proceeding, and take steps preserve the last bit of FM spectrum for a vital, home grown, community-oriented low-power broadcast service.

Sincerely,  
Harold Kozlowski